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## **Weybridge Seventh Grader Wins Vermont State Spelling Bee**

**MONTPELIER** – Twelve-year-old Lucy Weber of Weybridge, a part-time student at Middlebury Union Middle School, beat out 27 other local spelling bee champions to win first place in the Vermont State Individual Spelling Bee, the Department of Education announced today.

Students from across Vermont competed at the McCarthy Recital Hall at St. Michael's College in Colchester on Wednesday. Meara Kinne of Black River Middle School came in second, and Jacob Ebersole of Main Street Middle School came in third. Champion Weber will now compete in the Scripps-Howard National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C. in May.

The bee was sponsored by the Vermont Principals Association, the Vermont Department of Education, the Vermont Humanities Council and the Burlington Free Press. Additional sponsors will aid in funding the trip to Washington for Lucy and her family.

Mary Cassarino of Rutland served as pronouncer of the event. Commissioner Richard Cate was on hand to present the awards.

For more information, contact Jill Remick at the Department of Education, or Bob Johnson at the Vermont Principals Association at (802) 229-0547.

Following is a list of all the regional winners who competed in the statewide bee.

## Regional Winners

<u>School</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Albany Community School	Sam Barbeau	5
Barre City	Shawna Pratt	8
Barre Town	Benjamin Rouleau	8
Black River Middle School	Meara Kinne	7
Camels Hump Middle	Noah Chornayk	8
Charlotte Central School	Paul Danyow	6
Craftsbury Academy	Andrew Calderwood	8
Crossett Brook Middle	Callum Osborne	8
Danville School	Morgan Gray	8
Edmunds Middle School	Patricia Trafton	8
Fayston Elementary School	Kaile Daley	6
Harwood Middle School	Mekah Allen	8
Middlebury Union Middle School	Lucy Weber	7
Lyndon Town School	Walker W. Storz	
Main Street Middle	Jacob Ebersole	8
Northfield Elementary	Luke Farley	5
Randolph Elementary	Gwen Pelletier	
Richford Elementary	Annalise Goyne	6
Richford Jr High	Brittany Messier	7
Rochester Middle	TJ Deininger	6
Stockbridge	Samantha Abrams	5
Stowe Middle School	Luke Grosvenor	8
Tunbridge Central School	Cole Rediker	8
The Waterford School	Brennan Smith	3
Mater Christi	John Dubie	6
Williston Central School	Liam Kelly	6
Rutland Intermediate School	Jenna Wang	6
Bishop Marshall	Liam O'Neil	n/a